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Title: METHOD FOR TREATING A PATIENT USING A CULTURED CONNECTIVE TISSUE CONSTRUCT

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Submitted herewith is a request for continued examination with corresponding comments and amendments. The fees associated with the RCE and 3-month extension of time are covered by the attached credit card authorization form. Favorable reconsideration of the subject patent application is respectfully requested in view of the comments and amendments herein.

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